

## BANKER HELPS CLARK'S CASE

Smith of Helena Before Senate Committee.

### FEW LEGISLATORS DEPOSITORS

Know of No Business of Bank in Connection with Senatorial Contest—Ector Letters Delayed—Senate and House Routine Business.

Washington, Jan. 22.—When the senate committee on privileges and elections began its session for the continuance of its investigation of the charges of bribery in connection with the election of Senator Clark of Montana, ex-Senator Faulkner informed the committee that the Ector letters had not yet arrived. He said they had left Butte last Monday night and were expected hourly.

The first witness of the day was A. L. Smith, president of the Montana National Bank of Helena. Evidently the purpose of calling Mr. Smith was to show transactions of the bank involving Senator Clark or members of the last Montana legislature. Mr. Smith could recall the names of only a few members who had accounts at the bank last winter, and these had, he said, been depositors at the bank for several years. He also said that neither Clark nor Wellcome had transacted any business in the bank during the last session of the legislature, except that Senator Clark had opened an account with the bank just prior to the close of the session. He had given him a personal check for \$50,000 and he had never drawn upon the account since.

Mr. Smith said the bank kept no record of \$1,000 bills passing through it, and he did not remember giving any out, except in one or two instances, which cases were not connected with the legislature or the senatorial contest. He also said that his bank and the Bank of Clark & Brother of Butte exchanged business.

Patrick W. Murray, a member of the Montana legislature from Butte, testified that he had several times been approached and his vote solicited for Mr. Clark for the senate. He detailed the particulars of two interviews with a Mr. Gallick, a supporter of Mr. Clark, who had on both occasions held up his hands and spread out his fingers and thumbs, saying that he (witness) could have "that" for his vote if cast for Mr. Clark for the senate. He also said that George Casey had come to him to buy a piece of mining ground which the witness owned, but that the condition of the sale was that he should vote for Mr. Clark for the senate. He had refused all the propositions, because Mr. Clark had opposed the election of the ticket on which he had made the race for the legislature. Mr. Murray said he had not been employed by Mr. Daly for fourteen years, and was under no obligations to that gentleman. At this point the prosecution announced that it had no more witnesses on hand, and the committee adjourned.

Soon after the senate convened today a joint resolution was offered by Mr. Platt (N. Y.) authorizing the President to invite the government of Great Britain to join in the promotion of an international commission to examine and report on the diversion of the waters that are the boundaries of the two countries. It was referred to the committee on foreign relations.

This was District of Columbia day in the house. Before the day was claimed for business relating to the district, some minor business was transacted.

Several minor bills were passed. It was agreed that the estimates for the Rock Island and Springfield armories should be referred to the speaker for reference as an original proposition.

### BIG STRIKE AT TROY, N. Y.

350 Motormen Tie Up the Traffic for the Time Being.

Troy, N. Y., Jan. 23.—The conductors and motormen on the Troy division of the United Traction company road struck this morning and the line has been tied up all day. The railroad has made no attempt to reopen the line, though it is understood that an attempt to run cars would be made before tomorrow. Extra police have been provided in anticipation of trouble. The men on Saturday presented to Superintendent Fasset an agreement providing for a wage scale of twenty cents an hour for a day of ten hours. Superintendent Fasset refused to consider the matter and referred the men to the directors of the road. The men held a meeting this morning and voted to go on a strike. As a result 350 men refused to go out with cars. The company has in force on its Albany division a sliding wage scale, providing for 16 cents an hour for two-year men, 18½ cents for three-year men and 20 cents for men in the employ of the company four years. It was in anticipation of an enforcement of the scale on the Troy road that the men struck. Forty green men were put at work on the Troy division last week. They all joined the strikers today.

### CITY OF SEATTLE OVERDUE.

Steamer from Skagway Causing Anxiety by Nonarrival.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 23.—Great anxiety is shown over the non-arrival of the steamer City of Seattle, now five days overdue from Skagway. As she makes the round trip from here in eight or nine days and has never before been a day late, it is taken that she is in serious trouble. No word has been received concerning her. Many rumors are afloat here, but all have proved without foundation.

## LABOR CALLS ON MCKINLEY.

As a Union Member, He Is Asked to Redress a Grievance.

New York, Jan. 23.—The Central Federated union decided to remind President McKinley that as a member of the bricklayers' union of Chicago he is expected to take an active interest in trades' union matters.

The subject came up at the Central Federated union meeting on a complaint made by the delegate of the Pipe Calkers and Tappers' union that men who were engaged in laying pipe on Bedloe's and Governor's islands were compelled to work ten hours a day instead of eight. Isaac Owen of the Amalgamated Engineers had an idea.

"Since President McKinley is a member of the Bricklayers' union in Chicago," he said, "Why should we not write him and ask him to act in the matter?"

The suggestion was hailed with applause, and the secretary was instructed to write to President McKinley, asking him to try to have the eight-hour law enforced on Bedloe's and Governor's islands.

### FLEE FROM NATIVES.

Americans Are Ambushed—Two Are Killed—Pack Train Left.

Manila, Jan. 23.—On Thursday a pack train escorted by fifty men of company C. Thirtieth infantry, Lieut. Ralston commanding, was ambushed near Lipa, province of Laguna, and two Americans were killed, four were wounded and nine were missing. The insurgents fired three volleys at close range, and the escort was obliged to retreat, after killing fifteen of the insurgents. Several animals of the pack train were killed and their packs were looted.

The escort consisted of fifty convalescents from the hospital, who were going to rejoin the regiment. The insurgents hid in the bushes along the road and opened fire upon the pack train from three sides. The Americans, in addition to their casualties, were compelled to abandon the train, which consisted of twenty-two horses. The latter, with their packs, all fell into the hands of the insurgents, who pursued the retreating escort for three miles along the road until the Americans were re-enforced. The affair is being investigated.

### MANY FLOCK TO FRANKFORT.

Exciting Times Are Expected at Kentucky's Capital.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 23.—It is believed among all factions of all parties here that this will be the most eventful week ever experienced at Kentucky's capital. The many people from all parts of the state that arrived on the trains this evening are but an indication of the number that are expected tomorrow and during the remainder of the week. The gubernatorial contests can hardly be decided this or even next week, but the people realize that the end is drawing near, so far as the legislature is concerned, and say they want to be on the scene of action. Of the crowds that are pouring into Frankfort some are friends of Goebel, and are anxious to see enforced whatever may be the decision of the legislature on the contest question. Others are republicans and anti-Goebel democrats, who are equally determined that the men elected on the face of returns last November shall be continued in office.

### GIVEN LEAVE TO FILE.

Missouri May Begin Suit Against the Chicago Drainage Canal.

Washington, Jan. 23.—In the case of the State of Missouri vs. the State of Illinois, involving the petition for an injunction against the Chicago drainage canal, the United States supreme court has decided to permit the attorney general of Missouri to file his bill making the summons to the defendants returnable April 2. Justice Fuller said it was impossible for the supreme court to exercise original jurisdiction in a suit between states without giving notice; that sixty days were required for a return and that nothing could be done before that date, upon which the service was made returnable in the main proceeding—viz., April 2.

### RUN DOWN BY BLOODHOUNDS.

Paroled Prisoner Who Killed His Enemy Is Safe in Jail.

Columbia City, Ind., Jan. 23.—Henry Wiesweaver, who last night shot and killed John Burns in a drunken row, is safe in jail. A feud has existed between the men and each had declared that he would kill the other on sight. They met last night and after a few words Wiesweaver shot his enemy. Wiesweaver escaped, but bloodhounds were put on his track and he was apprehended about 5 o'clock this morning, and for a time it seemed as though there would be a lynching. Both men were well-known characters of this city. Wiesweaver is out of Jeffersonville prison on parole.

### Entombed Men Rescued.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 22.—Street Car Inspector Lambie, who was injured by the caving in of a tunnel here yesterday, is dead. Early today two of the entombed men, John Mitchell and John Eckhart, were rescued.

### Veteran's Mysterious Death.

La Crosse, Wis., Jan. 23.—Charles Schultz, a veteran of the civil war and a former member of the Ninety-fourth New York regiment, was found dead in bed in a lodging-house here this morning under rather mysterious circumstances. The authorities are investigating the matter. Schultz was an inmate of the Milwaukee National Soldiers' home and had been here for some weeks past. He was known to have had quite a large sum of money recently. He was about 70 years of age.

## HOPES FOR BOER SUCCESS.

Senator Hale Declares Great Britain Is Wrong.

### BLOW STRUCK AT LIBERTY.

Maine Statesman Says the American People Sympathize with the Little Republic—Pension Bill Passed by the House—Washington Notes.

Washington, Jan. 22.—A speech, sensational in its interest and international in its importance, was delivered in the senate Friday by Mr. Hale (rep., Me.). He declared that nine-tenths of the American people sympathized with the Boers in their gallant struggle for liberty against one of the greatest powers in the world. He declared that "the war which Great Britain is waging is the most fell blow at human liberty that has been struck in the century."

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### Prompt Answer for Allen.

Washington, Jan. 22.—The state department will send a prompt answer to Senator Allen's resolution, adopted by the senate, calling for information as to the refusal of the government to receive officially a representative of the Transvaal. The answer, in effect, will be that Gen. James R. O'Brien of New York, who was accredited to this government as the Transvaal's commissioner, was an American citizen, and, as such, could not be recognized by the United States as the diplomatic representative of a foreign country.

### A REPORT IN ROBERTS CASE.

Divided Regarding Manner to Keep Him Out.

Washington, Jan. 22.—The reports of the special committee of investigation in the case of Brigham H. Roberts of Utah, were presented to the house today. The majority report, signed by Chairman Taylor and six of his associates, is a voluminous document, and is accompanied by a summary of the law and its effects. It gives the details of the hearings, the ample opportunities afforded to Mr. Roberts to present his case, his refusal to testify, and the unanimous finding of facts, heretofore published. It proceeds:

"The committee is unanimous in its belief that Mr. Roberts ought not to remain a member of the house of representatives. A majority are of the opinion that he ought not to be permitted to become a member, that the house has the right to exclude him. A minority are of the opinion that the proper course of procedure is to permit him to be sworn in and then expel him by a two-thirds vote, under the constitutional provision providing for expulsion.

"Your committee desires to assert with the utmost positiveness at this point that not only is the proposition of expulsion, as applied to this case, against precedent, but that exclusion is entirely in accord with principle, authority, and legislative precedent, and not antagonistic to any legislative action which the house of representatives has ever taken."

John Ruskin Is Dead.

London, Jan. 22.—John Ruskin died this afternoon of influenza, aged 81 years.

In 1872 Mr. Ruskin published, "Aratra Pentelici." In 1883 he was elected Slade professor for the third time, and, at his inaugural lecture, was received with unprecedented enthusiasm. In 1884 he was obliged to resign his position on account of failing health. In 1887 "Hortus Inclusus" was published, and in October, 1891, appeared a collection of his poems, edited by Mr. Colingwood, who in 1893 published "The Life and Work of John Ruskin." In 1894 "Letters to a College Friend," written over 50 years before by Mr. Ruskin, were published for the first time.

### Americans Are Ambushed.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 22.—Gen. Otis today reports the ambushing of a pack train in Laguna province by the insurgents and the killing of two men, the wounding of five and nine men missing.

Washington—By a vote of 4 to 1 the naval board of construction at a meeting submitted an adverse recommendation upon the proposition that the government purchase the submarine boat Holland.

## LYNCHED BY A MOB.

George and Ed Silbee Taken From Jail at Fort Scott and Hanged.

Fort Scott, Kas., Jan. 22.—George and Ed Silbee, alias Meeks, of Kansas City, convicted last Monday of the murder of Leopold Edlinger, a young German, near this city, in October, were hanged by the neck, to near-by trees in the jail yard here, Saturday evening.

A determined mob did the work. The barbed wire trocha surrounding the jail is a wreck, the immense doors leading into the prison are battered, twisted and torn, and the inside of the jail looks as if it had been a wooden toy in the hands of a giant.

Both men died game. George Silbee placed the noose about his own neck and died cursing the crowd. Just before he was swung into eternity he turned and called to his brother: "D—m you, die game."

He stated in calm tones that he himself shot Edlinger, and that Amos Phillips struck him on the head with an ax. He further said that his brother Ed did not take part in the crime, but that Phillips was guilty "as hell."

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Ed, the younger brother, suffered the more, and his face and neck were badly bloated. George died without a struggle.

### MASKED MEN USE EXPLOSIVES.

Blow Open Vault of Commercial Institution at Silver Lake, Ind.

Peru, Ind., Jan. 22.—The Commercial bank of the town of Silver Lake, about twenty-five miles northeast of this city, was wrecked between 1 and 2 o'clock Friday morning by masked men, who blew up the vault and safe with nitroglycerin. The racketsmen carried away about \$4,000 in paper money. They were compelled to leave several sacks of silver, owing to a battle begun by citizens. These sacks contained \$15,000.

The town's night watchman, William Price, was eating at a restaurant about two blocks from the bank, when he heard an explosion. In company with the restaurant keeper he started to investigate. In a moment a second explosion occurred, followed by three more. When the watchman and his companion reached the bank five masked men faced them and forced them back with drawn revolvers. The watchman immediately began shooting at the robbers. They returned the fire and backed toward the railway tracks, where their handcar was concealed. The fight was kept up for three blocks. The noise of the shooting brought many citizens to the scene. The safe-blowers finally made a dash for the handcar, and by rapid shooting kept the citizens at bay until they could make their escape.

W. W. Herrick, a citizen, was shot in the right arm. One of the burglars was also shot.

The bank building is a two-story brick. The explosion cracked the walls, and the interior is a mass of wreckage. The bank is owned by Adam Stout & Co. The handcar was stolen at North Manchester, to which place the robbers were traced.

### MANY DEAD OF THE PLAGUE.

Honolulu Still in the Grip of Bubonic Pest.

Honolulu, Jan. 12 (via San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 22).—There have been twenty-seven deaths from bubonic plague to date. Of these sixteen have been Chinese, two Japanese, one a South Sea Islander, and the remainder Hawaiians or part Hawaiians. There are twelve cases of plague in the plague hospital. These patients are all either Chinese, Japanese or Hawaiians. One of them is a member of the national guard who was on guard duty in the quarantined district.

Detention barracks capable of accommodating 4,000 people are in process of construction, accommodations for about 2,000 being already completed and practically filled. The people detained are those who have been removed from infected houses and districts and the houses or districts burned.

### Dr. Brayton Says It Is Smallpox.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 22.—The reported epidemic of smallpox at Clay City, which some local physicians diagnosed as chicken-pox, continues to spread. The disease has been prevailing in the community for over a month, and previous to the visit of the secretary of the state board of health no sanitary precautions had been taken. Dr. Alenbert W. Brayton of this city, a recognized expert in skin diseases, who was sent to Clay City to investigate the epidemic, reported that the disease was smallpox, and that it would probably continue in the locality throughout the winter and spring.

### Von Bulow Is Satisfied.

Berlin, Jan. 22.—In the reichstag Friday Count von Bulow, minister of foreign affairs, announced the details of the settlement of the controversy raised between Germany and Great Britain over the seizure of the steamer Bundesrath at Delagoa bay on Dec. 30. Count von Bulow not only stated that the British government had acceded to Germany's demand for the release of the steamer, but had made concessions which would prevent a recurrence of the incident.

## MISSOURI NOTES.

The Hornet is the name of Columbia's daily paper.

Seymour is expected to become a great mining center.

Carriages are furnished in Moberly for funerals for \$3.00 each.

The Slicher hotel at Sedalia was sold under mortgage last week.

The first volume of the revised statutes of Missouri has been issued.

Speaking of fuss and feathers, St. Louis has been having a poultry show.

Mont Cockran was the guest of honor at the Jackson day banquet at Wooster, O.

Columbia, through its organization of business men, is making an effort to secure factories.

A Maryville woman sued her husband for divorce because he joined the Twentieth Kansas.

People of Sedalia and Warrensburg want an electric line or railway connecting the two cities.

Diphtheria is raging in St. Joe. Sergeant Many has lost three children in as many weeks.

A Bird Point woman celebrated her 110th birthday one day last week and then died four days later.

C. W. Bolster of Princeton has purchased and taken charge of the Plattsburg Leader. Wes. L. Robertson retires.

Captain W. C. Bronaugh is still at work trying to get Cole and Jim Younger out of the Minnesota penitentiary.

An Odessa firm recently purchased 4,000 rabbits for shipment, for which they paid from forty to fifty-five cents per dozen.

General Richard Horne has sold his interest in the Marshall Democrat-News to J. C. Patterson and will retire from the paper.

The retail merchants of Sedalia have organized for mutual protection against non-paying customers and to otherwise promote their own interests.

A Sedalia dealer has handled during the past three months 20,000 pieces of furs, of which by far the majority came from animals killed right in Pettis county.

Laclede claims to have a man who is six feet ten inches tall and weighs 300 pounds. He is 33 years old and, though the girls all look up to him he has never married.

It is now known that depositors of the Central Savings bank, of St. Joe, which closed its doors a year ago, will be paid in full. The cost of closing up the bank's affairs has been \$10,371.

Mrs. Martina Moorehouse, widow of Albert P. Moorehouse, ex-governor of Missouri, died at the home of George C. D. Wilton in Maryville last week, aged 62 years. She had been in failing health for two years.

Meadville claims for one of its residents, Mr. J. W. Rudder, the distinction of being the oldest native Missourian in Linn county, if not indeed in a much wider scope of territory. He was born in St. Louis county and is 77 years of age.

A Sedalia woman was engaged to marry a Sedalia man several years ago. She was a woman of business and made him put the contract in writing, agreeing to forfeit \$2,000 if he didn't. He didn't. Twice since then she has been married. Now she is a widow again and is suing the first man for \$2,000 and interest.

Miss Maud McMillan, of Maryville, who is a student of Monticello seminary of Godfrey, Ill., is a classmate of both Miss Ruth Bryan, daughter of William J. Bryan, and a daughter of Chairman Atkins, of the Republican state central committee of Missouri. Miss McMillan says that many interesting arguments of a political nature take place between the two girls, each having decided views of her own and being capable of forcefully expressing them.

The Slater Index tells that Mrs. A. E. Ashbury of Higginsville has proven the fallacy of the old idea that a person cannot eat a quail a day for thirty days, she having finished the performance of such a feat on December 24, and continued to eat one bird a day for almost a week after the expiration of the time.

George N. Johnson, a young colored man who left Hannibal a few years ago, has returned a millionaire and is visiting his folks there. He made his stake in gold mining in the Klondike and in California. Christmas he presented his aged mother with a pretty five-room cottage, elegantly furnished, and he has made a number of other presents to former friends.

W. L. Dempsey, the temporarily-lost Howard county lawyer-politician, is still on earth, and now apparently in his right mind. His family has joined him in Virginia, whence he writes to friends that at the time of his disappearance from his Missouri home he was mentally unbalanced.

St. Louis capitalists are projecting a mammoth new department store.

Senator Cockrell has introduced a bill to relieve Colonel A. F. Fleet of all money responsibility for the ordnance and stores destroyed in the fire of the Mexico military academy in 1896.

The legislative commission, which has been engaged since the adjournment of the assembly in the revision of the Missouri statutes has fixed upon February 1 as the time for its final adjournment. The text of the second volume is all in type, and only a part of the indexing and proofreading remains to be looked after.

## SEEMED MIRACULOUS.

Remarkable Cure Said to Have Followed Conversion.

Religious circles in the section about Burr Oak and Ellsberry are greatly excited over what appears to be a miraculous cure effected by Evangelist Mack of Kansas City at a revival which he recently conducted at Ellsberry, Mo.

It is related that George W. Oregon, who has been deaf and dumb from birth, was converted and immediately thereafter was able to hear and utter sounds.

It is the opinion of the faithful that there is healing power in the Rev. Mr. Mack's voice. He claims to be a natural born gospel expounder, and is a pastor in the Baptist church.

In speaking of the recent cure at Ellsberry, he says that he cannot understand the healing power himself, but believes it was given to him by God, as it was bestowed upon the disciples of old.

The Rev. Mr. Mack says that he has prayed for a number of sick people whom the doctors had given up, and that they had recovered, apparently through the influence of prayer.

The Rev. Mr. Mack is now conducting a religious revival at the Mount Zion Baptist church in Burr Oak.

## WANTS THEM, DEAD OR ALIVE.

Chief Campbell Offers \$100 to the Slayer of a Highwayman.

"I will give \$100 out of my own pocket to any member of the police force or citizen who kills a highwayman, burglar or porch-climber in the act of committing one of those crimes." Chief of Police John W. Campbell while sitting in his office in St. Louis made that declaration.

"If there is any way to capture or kill such culprits I am in for it," he continued. "The Chief of Police of St. Joseph has offered a similar reward, and so has an alderman in Chicago. No matter what city you are in at this time of the year you are liable to meet a highwayman. St. Louis is not an exception, but I can truthfully say that the crimes of that character committed in St. Louis are not of as desperate a character as those committed in other cities. Take Chicago, for instance—daring hold-ups of all kinds are committed; the same in Cincinnati, Buffalo, Pittsburgh, Kansas City and other places."

The chief had just read a report of a highway robbery having been attempted in North St. Louis when he made the statement.

## HELD UP A JEWELRY STORE.

Three Robbers Do a Bold Piece of Work in North St. Louis.

In true western style, and while the apparatus of the fire department was passing the place, three robbers bound, gagged and robbed the clerk, Henry Stellman, an old man, in the jewelry store of A. Winkler, southeast corner of Jefferson and St. Louis avenues, St. Louis, last week. The robbers were chased for a number of blocks by citizens, and in the run lost considerable of the "swag." According to Stellman, who was in charge at the time, the robbers secured 150 gold rings and seven gold watches. The rings they dropped in the chase, but only a few were found, and the loss to the store is estimated at \$800.

## Mountain Grove Experiment Station.

The board of managers of the new Mountain Grove Experiment Station have formally transferred the property to the citizens of that town, Messrs. C. L. Hughes and J. F. Short accepting the site for the people of Mountain Grove. Senator H. H. Hoenschild, of Rolla, the architect who drafted the plans for the station buildings has submitted his report and the board accepted his offer. The experiment building will be a brick house, costing about \$3,500. The manager's residence is to be a frame building and will cost between \$3,000 and \$4,000.

## She Swallowed a Burr.

Miss Iva McMannis, of near Center, Ralls county, met with a peculiar accident last week. A cockle burr became attached to her mitten and, in trying to detach it with her teeth, she sucked it into her wind pipe, and it lodged near the lungs. Doctor A. W. Ely performed the laryngotomy operation and removed the burr, otherwise she would have been choked to death.

## TROOPS WERE AT THE POLLS.

Goebel Offers His Proof in the Kentucky Contest.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 20.—Goebel's attorneys introduced a number of witnesses before the gubernatorial contest boards Thursday afternoon and night to prove that there were soldiers in Louisville on election day and that incendiary articles in newspapers believe to that time had led the people to believe that blood would flow at the polls. Lieut.-Col. David W. Gray testified that his troops were in the army all day with the exception of when they went out unarmed to luncheon and when they visited some of the voting places, under arms, in the evening after the count had been completed at every precinct except two. He said his instructions were to interfere in no way with the election, but to protect life and property and preserve the peace.

## Kansas City Barbers Fined.

Dan Lucas, proprietor of a barber shop in Kansas City, was fined \$75, and Charles Ward, one of his workmen, was fined \$50 in the circuit court, because they refused to get certificates of registration from the State Board of Barber Examiners. Lucas contends that the law establishing the board and providing for registration is class legislation, and consequently unconstitutional. He is fighting the law, not only in his own behalf, but also as the representative of the barbers who have not complied with its provisions, and he will appeal to the supreme court.